



Stay Healthy Neighbors!

Jeff Baker, CPN President

Hello, I hope that you and your family are staying healthy during these difficult and uncertain times. It seems the best action is to be proactive and drastically change the way we live, but as we do this try to see the light at the end of the tunnel. This too shall pass.

That does not mean that life will not be different, but we won't know what that looks like until we get there. This does show us how interconnected and similar we all are because we all are affected by this.

I encourage you to stay healthy, help your neighbors in need, and try to embrace this slower pace of life, as the world comes to a crawl compared to what we are accustomed to. Spend more time with your family, take on a project you have wanted to take on, learn something new, get out and garden as spring is upon us.

I know that the future is unknown, and I know it will be tough for most people but try not to stress too much. The additional stress does nothing good for your health. Take the time to think about what adjustments you may need to make, to establish more security in the near future.

If there are safe ways to support our local businesses, I encourage you to do that. Please see the write up below about the Curtis Park Meal Train, formed to help local restaurants and to get food

delivered in the neighborhood. Thanks to Ben Reisler and Two Parts for getting this going! Gerald Horner, thanks for starting the brainstorming around this idea of helping the restaurants in our neighborhood.

We will be canceling our April 2nd General Neighborhood Meeting. Please sign up for our email communication to stay in the loop. The information to sign up for communication is on the back of this newsletter. We will be releasing a new website soon, so use curtis-park.org as a go-to resource and look out for the new and improved site. We intend for this to be the place to find out all things about our neighborhood. *Keep your head up Curtis Park and I hope to see you soon!*

Denver Delivery Network

To help those who are unable to leave their homes, Robbie H. and David Millis started the Denver Delivery Network to help neighbors in need. Please see information about the Denver Delivery Network below if you need help or are interested in volunteering. Thanks Robbie and David!

Curtis Park Neighbors Meet Thursday, May 7, 2020

United Way, 711 Park Ave. West
(Enter from parking lot at "CoBank" sign)
6:30 p.m. Police Update & Briefing
7:00-8:30 p.m. Main Agenda

April's CPN General Meeting is canceled. Please sign up for our email communication to stay in the loop. The information to sign up for communication is on the back of this newsletter.

Please Support CPN

Please consider a donation to support the Curtis Park Neighbors and this newsletter. You can make your tax deductible contribution online by visiting squareup.com/store/CurtisParkNeighbors.

Next CPN General Meetings

May 7th, 2020

7:00-8:30, Police update at 6:30

CPN Board Meeting

Mon. Apr. 20th, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

2543 California St, Open to all

Curtis Park's March Tree of the Month

Maggie Miller

Greetings from the Curtis Park Tree Committee! Every few months we feature a Tree of the Month. January's tree was a newly planted State Street Maple on Glenarm. This month, our Tree of the Month is on 24th Street, and it's a Spring Snow Crabapple.

This tree is one of several planted in a tree lawn. In the spring, the white blossoms look lovely and delicate, and their scent is like a subtle perfume. In the summer, these trees provide a soft but thorough shade which keeps the lawn (and people sitting on the lawn) cool.

As I write this (in mid-March), the new leaves on the crabapple are just beginning to appear. Curtis Park Neighbors have been doing a lot of social distancing, but we're also going on walks in the neighborhood. Seeing brand new leaves on the trees can make us feel hopeful and optimistic, which reduces our stress.

And that's good for our immune systems. Thank you, Tree of the Month, for that boost!

During these difficult times, we urge you to take a minute to contemplate the new leaves, and soon to be flowers, on our beautiful neighborhood trees.



[Caption] New leaves also bring more birds, and their songs are sweet. Pictured here: new leaves against a gray sky, and little birds among them.

Be Aware - Street Sweeping Starts this Month

Remember to move your cars on the street this month. Fine is \$50! Since we're all at home these days, moving your car before 8:00 am may slip your mind. This continues through November. Help out your neighbors by reminding them if you see their vehicles on the street the morning of the scheduled sweeping.

Curtis Park Meal Train

Ben Reisler

And labor of love and a means of loving thy neighbor, the Curtis Park Meal Train provides weekly meals to residents while supporting our beloved food and beverage businesses during these times of uncertainty. Residents can sign up weekly, or can invest in a full month. Meals are delivered on Friday evenings from a different local restaurant each week. Sign up at curtis-park.org. I think the city is not going to be fining for parking etc...maybe not for the street sweeping either, could ditch that picture of the street sweeper if needed.



Denver
Delivery
Network

NEIGHBORS HELPING NEIGHBORS
VECINOS AYUDANDO A VECINOS

Do you need help getting **essential items** but shouldn't go out?

Let your neighbors help!

We're all in this together.

How does it work?

- A volunteer will shop and deliver your items
- You reimburse the cost via Venmo/Zelle/Cash

How do I sign up?

Visit denverdeliverynetwork.org **OR** call 970-316-4036

What is the Denver Delivery Network?

- A network of neighbors helping neighbors
- Volunteers follow CDC contact protocols
- Your personally identifiable information is protected



COFFEE, TEA & WINE LOUNGE

- ✓ Meeting Space
- ✓ Free WiFi
- ✓ Free Covered Parking
- ✓ Coffee, Loose Leaf Tea, Gelato,
- ✓ Craft Beer & Wine, Gourmet
- ✓ Sandwiches & More



M-F: 6am 10pm
Sat: 7am 10pm
Sun: 7am 6pm

(Welton & 27th Street)
710 East 26th Avenue
Denver, CO 80205



New Murals on Greyhound Building



On an uplifting note that adds vibrancy to an otherwise graffiti targeted wall is some new art in the neighborhood. If you haven't seen the new murals that started appearing last fall on the East facing wall of the Greyhound Maintenance facility, then take a stroll down Champa to see for yourself.

The first one to go up was done by Argentina's legendary street artist, Pol Corona. The two faces on the South side of the wall were painted last fall before he returned to Buenos Aires, Argentina. The super bright and vibrant portrait on the North side of the wall was done by Thomas "Detour" Evans, on a warm weekend at the end of winter.

The bright mural in the middle was done by a pair of artists, Corinne Bee Bop and Aiko Szymczak just a few weeks ago.

Thank you so much Pol, Thomas, Corinne, and Aiko for your gift to Curtis Park! These artists donated their time to the neighborhood to get these murals done. We are super grateful for their generosity and their gift of time and beauty.

Thanks to Adam Gordon, at The Temple, for organizing these artists, arranging access to the wall space with Greyhound, and for providing for the materials that Pol used for the first mural. This would not have happened if Adam hadn't taken this project on, so thanks again Adam!

Do you have a wall that needs art? If so, contact Jeff Baker, 970-759-4023, and I can connect you with Adam to see if there are any opportunities to connect you, the wall and an artist to make something beautiful.

House Tour Preview

The Anfenger House at 2900 Champa Street owned by Douglas and Pamela Adams will be one of the homes featured in this fall's Historic Curtis Park Home Tour and Celebration. Built in 1884, this was the home of Louis and Louise Anfenger, German immigrants who met and married in the East, then moved to Denver. Anfenger was successful in real estate, insurance and other enterprises and served in the state legislature. He was instrumental in forming the Temple Emanuel Synagogue at Curtis and 24th, as well as National Jewish Hospital.

Like many of the houses in Curtis Park, it has seen some hard times. In 1970s, its rooms painted black, it was a haven for

prostitution, drug use, and voodoo rites. When it changed hands, it became a house of horrors whose new owner charged admission to those seeking thrills in a bad neighbor. When approached by neighbors who were trying to revive the neighborhood, she threatened to "burn the place down" if they closed her down.

Fortunately, the house subsequently has been owned by several persons who have cared for it. Douglas and Pamela Adams have lived there for eight years. They made a discovery in the master bathroom that is a clue to the house's origin. Etched in the wall behind glass, was a name and date-W.G.H. King 1884. King was an Englishman who settled in Breckenridge in 1860, then moved to Denver in 1870. He was a contractor and builder who lived in the 2800 block of Champa in 1884.



Resources

Denver City Government
www.DenverGov.org, or call 3-1-1

Blair-Caldwell Library
2401 Welton Street, (720) 865-2401
Mon./Wed.: Noon – 8 p.m.
Tue./Thu./Fri.: 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.
Sat.: 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Denver City Council
District 9
Candi CdeBaca, (720) 337-7709
candi.cdeBaca@denvergov.org
Elbra M. Wedgeworth Municipal Building
2855 Tremont Place, Suite 201

At-Large
Councilwoman Robin Kniech
Robin.Kniech@denvergov.org
(720) 337-7712
Councilwoman Debbie Ortega
Deborah.Ortega@denvergov.org
(720) 337-7713

Denver Public Schools
(720) 423-3200, www.DPSK12.org

Homeless Outreach
Police non-emergency: (720) 913-2000

Mayor's Neighborhood Liaison
Shawn Johanson, (720) 913-1311

Police
Emergencies: Dial 911
Non-Emergency: (720) 913-2000
Dist. 2 (north 25th Street) RSO:
Hana Ruiz (720) 913.1089
hana.ruiz@denvergov.org
Dist. 6 (south 25th Street) RSO:
Teresa Gillian (720) 913-2908
teresa.gillian@denvergov.org
Austen Munson (720) 913-2906
austen.munson@denvergov.org
Elected RTD Representative
Shontel Lewis, (720) 935-8284
shontel.lewis@rtd-denver.com

Trash Pickup - Overflow Pickup
The next Large Item pickup is
Wednesday, March 25th
For free appliance collection, call
800-479-4159.

Xcel Energy
Electric Emergency/Power Outage
(800) 895-1999
Gas Emergency / Gas Odor
(800) 895-2999

To report non-permitted exterior work
to Landmark email: abigail.Christman@denver.gov.org or call
(720) 865-2908.

Short Term Rental Enforcement
Brian Snow (720) 865-2750

Reminder!

April is the month to unwrap the trunks of your new trees which you wrapped last Thanksgiving. Unwrap them mid-April. If you were approved for a tree through Denver Digs Trees check The Park People website for the status updates on how to proceed. Go to www.theparkpeople.org

Hey, Bikers!

Did you know that bicycles can now travel on Arapahoe Street toward downtown in the 2400 block? There is a protected bike lane on the west side of the street and a bicycle crossing signal at the Broadway/Park Avenue intersection making it now safe to cross.

Neighborhood Internet Resources

Curtis Park Neighbors on Facebook
[www.facebook.com/groups/curtisparke/](http://www.facebook.com/groups/curtisparke)

Curtis Park Neighbors "Announce" Group
Just the basics! We encourage everyone to join this e-mail group. Receive the Curtis Park Times & special announcements. To join, send an email to: Curtis-Park-Neighbors-Announce+subscribe@googlegroups.com

Curtis Park Neighbors "Notices" Group
Super-detailed! Receive all of the notices that the City and other organizations send to Curtis Park Neighbors. Zoning notices, liquor license applications, etc. all come through here. To join, send an email to: CurtisParkNeighbors+subscribe@googlegroups.com

Curtis Park Design Review Committee
Receive updates on new development and building modifications under review by the Denver Landmark Commission. To join, send an email to: cpn-drc-announcements+subscribe@googlegroups.com. Questions about projects, email Keith Pryor: KPryor13@gmail.com.

DHA / Curtis Park Community Advisory Committee
Provide feedback and guide the Denver Housing Authority's plans for their property holdings in the Curtis Park area. Write to: CPN-DHA-CAC+subscribe@googlegroups.com

Curtis Park Safety and Security Group
Collaborate on finding solutions to current and long-term safety and security topics in the neighborhood. Write to: cpn-security+subscribe@googlegroups.com



Curtis Park Neighbors is an officially incorporated non-profit neighborhood organization bringing our neighborhood together to share in preserving the past and future of Curtis Park. We welcome all neighbors in Curtis Park and encourage participation in Curtis Park Neighbors and in the life of the community. Please pass along this newsletter and bring a neighbor to the meetings!

The spirit of the *Curtis Park Times* is to communicate information about topics and concerns of our neighborhood. The opinions expressed do not necessarily reflect the views or policies of Curtis Park Neighbors. To provide newsletter articles or place advertising, contact us at cpn-newsletter@googlegroups.com or (720)273-0623. The next newsletter deadlines are March 17th for ads, and March 21st for articles.

Special Thanks To

Lynn Brown, Bradley Joseph, Whitney Stuberg, Thomas Lucas and Jeff Baker for newsletter content. Thanks to Hope Communities and Mile High United Way for donating our meeting space, to Therese Rasmussen for coordinating newsletter distribution, and many thanks to neighbors assisting with newsletter deliveries.

CPN Board of Directors

Jeff Baker (President), Patti Smith, Ben Mendenhall (Treasurer), Paul Davidson, Robbie Hobein (Secretary), Andrew Spinks, Ryan Cox, Beth Bianchi, Lindsay Schneider, Lindsey Sullivan and Randy Vetter. Contact the CPN President by writing to: jeffbakercurtisparke@denver@gmail.com or call (970) 759-4023. Write the CPN Board at curtis-park-neighbors-board@googlegroups.com.

ADU4U
YOUR MODERN CARRIAGE
HOUSE BUILDER

Thinking of building an ADU?
Contact us to discuss your
dream project.

youradu.com
970-759-4023